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In re Application of:

Atsutaka MANABE et al.

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For : LIQUID-CRYSTALLINE MEDIUM HAVING HIGH BIREFRINGENCE

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